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| <b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b> | Application No.    | Applicant(s)  |  |
|   | 10/732,842         | WORLEY ET AL. |  |
|   | Examiner           | Art Unit      |  |
|   | Joseph S. Del Sole | 1722          |  |

**All Participants:**
**Status of Application:** Allowed

 (1) Joseph S. Del Sole (PTO).

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

 (2) Mr. Joseph Tassone (Applicant's Rep.).

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**Date of Interview:** 23 June 2005
**Time:** 1:00 PM
**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

 Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

None

Claims discussed:

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Prior art documents discussed:

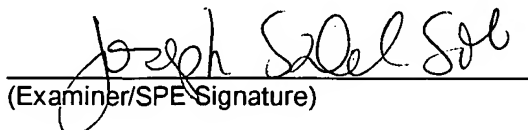
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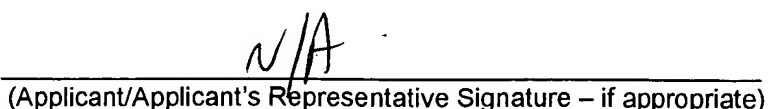
**Part II.**
**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

The Examiner contacted the applicant's Representative to request the amending of claim 33 to provide proper antecedent basis.  
 The change as set forth herein was agreed upon

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

  
 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Joe Tassone on 6/23/05.

The application has been amended as follows:

in the claims, substitute the following for claim 33:

33. (Currently Amended) The fixed center die module of claim 24 20 wherein the configuration of said fixed center die module precludes the need for continuous die adjustment to achieve predetermined cross-section and uniform wall gauge concentricity of said tubular structure.

### ***Reasons for Allowance***

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest a die module being a tubular member having an uniform inner circumference and a plurality of raised surfaces forming a frustoconical outer surface and providing passages between the raised surfaces.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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***Terminal Disclaimer***

3. The terminal disclaimer filed on 2/9/05 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of 6,716,021 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

***Correspondence***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Joseph S. Del Sole whose telephone number is (571) 272-1130. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Benjamin Utech, can be reached at (571) 272-1137. The official fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306 for both non-after finals and for after finals.

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June 23, 2005